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PATENT

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In re application of:

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Application No.: 10/088,952

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For: MUTATED ANTHRAX TOXIN
PROTECTIVE ANTIGEN PROTEINS
THAT SPECIFICALLY TARGET
CELLS CONTAINING HIGH
AMOUNTS OF CELL-SURFACE
METALLOPROTEINASES OR
PLASMINOGEN ACTIVATOR
RECEPTORS

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed September 15, 2006. A Petition and fee for a two month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to on or before February 15, 2006, accompany this amendment. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Please enter the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.